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SUBJ: GROUP ELECTION PROJECT FOR POLITICAL LEADERS

REF: STATE 223097

1. IN CONSULTATION WITH SECRETARIES GENERAL OF AD AND COPEI PARTIES, PARTICIPANTS IN GROUP ELECTION PROJECT FOR POLITICAL LEADERS HAVE BEEN CHANGED AND GROUP WILL NOW BE COMPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

(A) AD PARTY:

- (1) ALBERTO FEDERICO RAVELL, EX-DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CENTRAL INFORMATION OFFICE;
- (2) DR. CLAUDIO FERMIN, HEAD OF AD VOLUNTEERS;
- (3) DR. CELESTINO ARMAS, AD POLITICAL SECRETARY AND CONGRESSMAN FROM THE FEDERAL DISTRICT, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF MINES COMMITTEE.

(B) COPEI/PARTY/PRINCIPALS:

- (1) DR. MANUEL SELVA SALGADO, NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SECRETARY. BORN OCTOBER 31, 1943, CARACAS, MARRIED. GRADUATE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING FROM UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, 1965; GRADUATE STUDIES AT CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON 1970-71. ENGLISH GOOD. NON-PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS ARE BASEBALL AND TENNIS. HOME ADDRESS: AVENIDA SANTIAGO DE CHILE, QTA. SELSAL, URB. LOS CAOBOS, CARACAS, VENEZUELA.
 - (2) DR. FREDDY DELGADO DALO, CONGRESSMAN AND SECRETARY GENERAL OF COPEI PARTY FOR MIRANDA STATE. BORN MARCH 21, 1943
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IN GUATIRE, EDO. MIRANDA, MARRIED. LAW DEGREE FROM UNIVERSIDAD

CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, 1969. FROM 1964-1974 WAS DEPUTY TO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIRANDA STATE AND ITS PRESIDENT FROM 1969-71. MEMBER OF VENEZUELAN BAR ASSOCIATION. ENGLISH POOR. VISITED US. BRIEFLY IN 1972. NON-PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS: SOCCER, BASEBALL, HOME ADDRESS:

4A. CALLE, QTA. MARIA AUXILIADORA, URB. LOS POMELOS, CARACAS, VENEZUELA

(3) DR. OSWALDO VISLA, ADVISOR TO NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SECRETARY. BORN JUNE 19, 1936 IN MARACAIBO, MARRIED. LAW DEGREE FROM UNIVERSIDAD DEL ZULIA, MARACAIBO, 1965. PREVIOUS POSITIONS: COPEI INFORMATION SECRETARY FOR ZULIA REGION, 1958-68, PUBLIC OPINION SECRETARY FOR CENTRAL VENEZUELA AND MEMBER OF COPEI NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ANALYSIS AND PUBLIC OPINION POLLS, 1975. MEMBER OF VENEZUELAN BAR ASSOCIATION. ENGLISH POOR. BRIEF VISITS TO US. IN 1967 AND 1976. NON-PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS: THEATER, BASEBALL. HOME ADDRESS: 2A CALLE LOS PALOS GRANDES, RESIDENCIAS CONTEMPORARY SUITES, APTO. 11-9, CARACAS, VENEZUELA.

(C) COPEI PARTY/ALTERNATES:

(1) HAROLDO ROMERO PALENCIA, CONGRESSMAN AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL OF COPEI PARTY FOR MIRANDA STATE. BORN MARCH 1, 1942 IN TURMERO, EDO. ARAGUA. GRADUATED IN ECONOMICS FROM UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, 1966. GRADUATE STUDIES IN WASHINGTON, D.C. FROM 1970-73. FROM 1964 TO 1969 WAS DEPUTY TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR MIRANDA STATE. ENGLISH: GOOD. NON-PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS: THEATER, SOCCER. HOME ADDRESS: CALLE TONORO, QTA. ANTIGUA, LOMAS DE LA TRINIDAD, CARACAS VENEZUELA.

(2) G. DANIEL BARRETO FAURE, ASSISTANT NATIONAL SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION. BORN MARCH 26, 1943, VALERA, MARRIED. ATTENDED SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, UNIVERSIDAD CATOLICA ANDRES BELLO, CARACAS, 1969-71. PREVIOUS POSITIONS: ASSISTANT PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS DEPARTMENT, LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR TRUJILLO STATE, 1965-68; CHIEF OF PRESS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE STATE GOVERNOR/TRUJILLO STATE, 1969; NATIONAL INFORMATION SECRETARY FOR COPEI YOUTH WING, 1973-75. MEMBER OF VENEZUELAN ASSOCIATION OF JOURNALISTS AND NATIONAL SOCIETY OF JOURNALISTS. HAS WRITTEN ARTICLES FOR NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES. ENGLISH POOR. HAS NOT VISITED US. PREVIOUSLY. UNCLASSIFIED

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NON-PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS: BASEBALL, MOVIES. ADDRESS: PARTIDO COPEI, EDIF. CELCA, PISO 2, ESQ. DR. DIAZ, OFICINA PRENSA, CARACAS, VENEZUELA.

2. FULL BIODATA FOR AD PARTICIPANTS AND PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR THE ENTIRE GROUP FOLLOW ASAP. NONE OF THE NOMINEES IS A FORMER GRANTEE, EXCEPT HAROLDO ROMERO WHO PARTICIPATED IN A GROUP PROJECT FOR STUDENT LEADERS IN 1964.

3. CLEARANCE OBTAINED FOR ALL NOMINEES EXCEPT CLAUDIO FERMIN,
FOR WHOM CLEARANCE IS PENDING.

4. THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT CELESTINO
ARMAS MAY NOT BE ABLE TO DEPART WITH THE GROUP ON OCTOBER 11
SINCE HIS PRESENCE MAY BE REQUIRED FOR AN IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE
DEBATE IN CONGRESS. HE WOULD JOIN THE GROUP ON OR ABOUT OCTOBER
20, AND POST EXPECTS THAT ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE ACCORDINGLY.
PLEASE ADVISE.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE CABLED APPROVAL ABOVE NOMINEES.
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